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1. The Czechoslovak Diplomatic Mission, set up in November 19h9 in the Eastern Sector of Berlin, is regarded by the Czech government as much more important than its counterparts in either Paris or London. Whereas the Czech Military Mission in Berlin simply exists as a reporting agency, the Diplomatic Mission has the status of a policy-making mission. The main object of the Diplomatic Mission is to implement Czech policy in relation to East Germany, and insofar as possible, to influence the Germans to act in accordance with Czech policy. Long range policy is decided in Moscow, but its success depends in large measure on the cificiency with which personnel of the Diplomatic Mission maintain good relations with the East Germans. From the standpoint of freedom of movement west

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of the from Curtain, the adventage is on the side of the Malitary Mission with its four-power accreditation; visas and permits were seldom approved by the Vestern lowers for members of the Diplomatic Mission members of the Czech Diplometic Missi n had match more Leeway in carrying out directives and in performing the duties of a diplomatic mission than their opposites in other satellite countries; this may be attributed in part to the conditions existing in East Germany; another reason may be that !oscow has learned its lesson from these countries which were taken over earlier and allowed no freedom of action in diplomatic dealings.

2. At the time of its establishment the Czech Diplomatic Mission was headed by Otto Fischi, Czech Ambarsador to East Germany. It that time Spendarck was beed of the Grech Military Mission in Berlin, and he had succeeded in building up good relations with Fast German politicians. When Fischil arrived, he told Shepdares that he no longer need bother to continue making his contacts in East Berlin, Fischl himself would be responsible for such relationships. Fischl actually had no a thority for this, he just wented to run all Czech affairs in Berlin including the Kilitary Mission. For the most part, Snejdarek ignored Fischl's order, but he did slack up in order to avoid direct conflict with Fischl. The Eduletry of Fereign Affairs this weare of Fischl's incompetently and therefore did not autpoit main his endeavors to take over direction of the Military Mission Fischi was receiled in February 1951; he one regulated by Fmil Heael in June 1991.

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